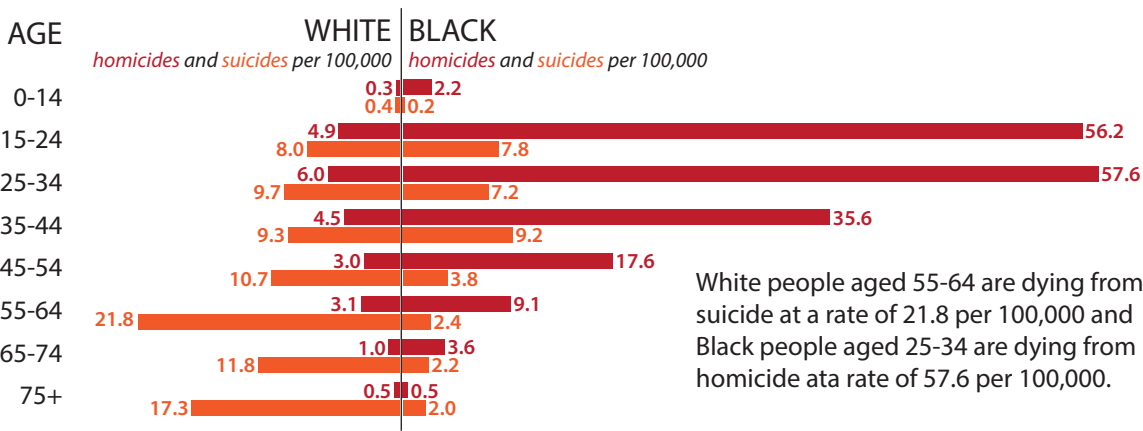


Race, Age, Gender & Gun Violence

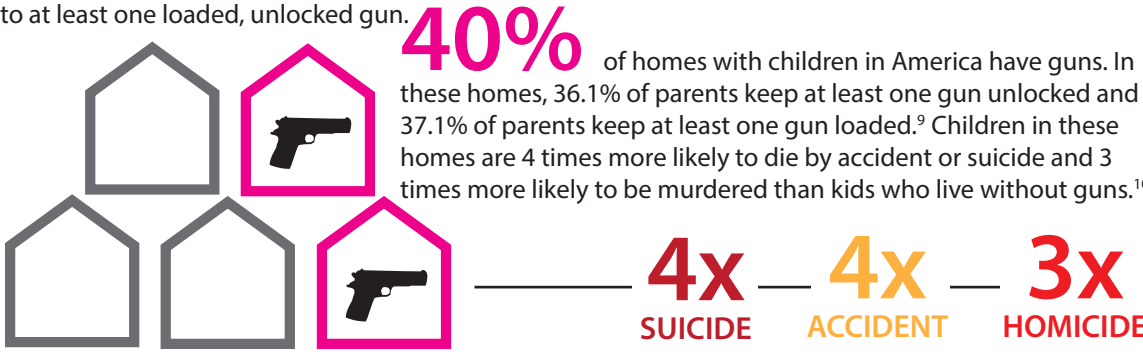
This overall picture gets more complicated when you look through the lenses of race, age and gender. Older White people are overrepresented among gun suicide deaths and younger Black people are disproportionately impacted by gun homicides. The majority of gun homicides take place in just a few dangerous neighborhoods marked by poverty, racial segregation, and failing schools.⁴ One study found that young black men living in Chicago's most violent zip code were about 3 times more likely to die from gun shots in 2020 than U.S. soldiers who were deployed to Afghanistan.⁵ Despite this, most gun deaths occur in rural counties, not urban ones. This is because there are so many more suicides than homicides, and suicides tend to take place in small towns, not big cities.⁶



Gender also plays a role in gun violence. In 2021, men and boys were 5.2 times more likely to be gun homicide victims than women and girls and 6.8 times more likely to die by firearm suicide. While women in general are less likely to be shot, the risk of injury or death is elevated for abused women living in a home with a gun: they are 6 times more likely to be killed than other women.⁷

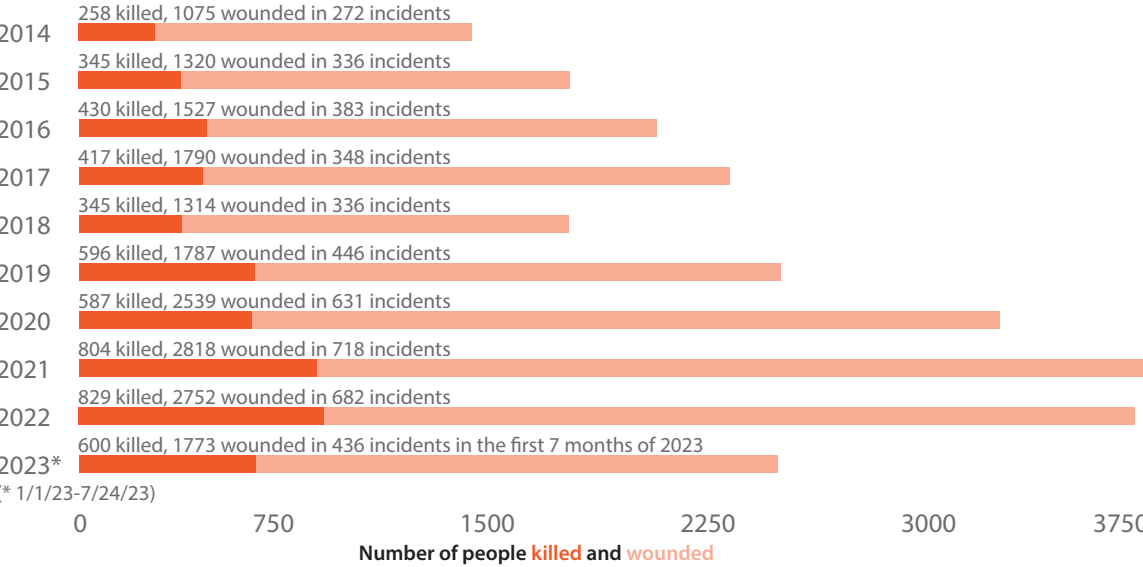
Children & Guns

In 2020, firearms became the leading cause of death for children in America. While school shootings garner the most media attention, these account for less than 1% of the total child gun deaths. In 2021, 65% of child gun deaths were homicides, 31% were suicides, and 4% died by accident or undetermined causes. Approximately 30 million children live in homes with guns, of these 4.6 million kids have access to at least one loaded, unlocked gun.



Mass Shootings

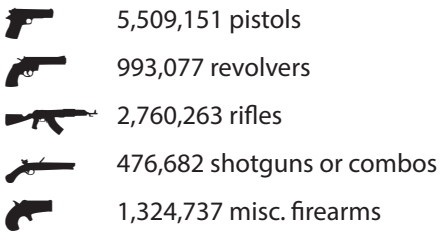
Mass shootings are defined as incidents where 4 or more people are shot, excluding the perpetrator. While mass shootings dominate media coverage and public interest, they represent a small minority of shooting incidents. They do seem to be a growing problem, however. By July of 2022, the number of people hurt in mass shootings already exceeds the yearly totals before 2019.¹¹ Mass shootings where the shooter used an assault rifle resulted in an average of 2.3 times more people killed and 22.7 times more people wounded. And incidents involving high-capacity magazines resulted in 2.5 times as many people killed and nearly 10 times as many wounded.



The Gun Industry & the Cost of Gun Violence

Gun manufacturers are making more guns than ever: production has almost tripled in the last two decades from 3,852,872 in 2000, to 11,063,910 in 2020 according to the National Firearms Commerce and Trafficking Assessment. While the gun industry makes billions of dollars selling these guns, regular Americans pay the costs of our gun violence epidemic. Medical treatment, criminal justice proceedings, and new security precautions are estimated to cost U.S. citizens \$557 billion annually.

GUNS MADE IN THE U.S. IN 2020



TOP GUN MANUFACTURERS IN THE U.S.

